

## Message Text

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ACTION SY-05

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R 302146Z JUN 78  
FM AMEMBASSY BUENOS AIRES  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 6346  
INFO AMEMBASSY PANAMA

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DEPT FOR ARA/ECA; A/SY/FO; PANAMA FOR RSS

E.O. 11652 N/A  
TAGS SEC, AR

1. RSO IN CONSULTATION WITH A/DCM HAS DETERMINED TO REDUCE CONTRACT GUARD SERVICE AS OF SEPT. 1, 1978. REDUCTION IS BASED ON CURRENT ESTIMATE OF SECURITY SITUATION. REDUCTION INCLUDES ELIMINATION OF FEDERAL CAPITAL 24-HOUR CAR, REDUCTION OF THREE-MAN 24-HOUR SUPERVISORY PATROL IN PROVINCE, PLUS REDUCTION OF SEVERAL 24-HOUR GUARD POSTS AT EMBASSY. THIS CUTBACK WILL EFFECT A COST REDUCTION OF APPROXIMATELY \$130,000 (US) PER YEAR FROM PRESENT GUARD CONTRACT COST. THIS SAVING MAY BE PARTIALLY OFFSET BY ANTICIPATED INCREASE IN PER HOUR COST OF GUARDS IN SEPT. HOWEVER, NET COST REDUCTION SHOULD BE CONSIDERABLE.

2. CONTINUED ATTENTION WILL BE GIVEN TO COST OF SECURITY PROGRAM WITH A VIEW TO FURTHER REDUCTION NEXT YEAR IF SECURITY SITUATION CONTINUES TO IMPROVE. HOWEVER, IMPROVEMENT REMAINS DEPENDENT TO A LARGE EXTENT ON THE LACK OF PUBLIC SUPPORT FOR TERRORIST ACTIVITIES. THAT SITUATION COULD CHANGE IF GENERAL PUBLIC DETERMINES THAT SOCIAL COST OF PRESENT ECONOMIC PROGRAM IS TOO SEVERE.

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